Mr. T. P. Poulose *(Kanayannur):* We are voting on the resolution as it stands irrespective of the explanations given by the Mover and the several other members who spoke on the resolution.

Deputy President: Not irrespective of the explanations and the implications. All the speeches are there. The main resolution as moved by Mr. Salem is also there. The Government will take their own inferences.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* Sir, I want to make myself sure of the issue. If the question is as to whether Government should concede the proposition that these rules if they are to be worked should have the approval of the House, the Government will have to oppose the resolution. If the point is that there should be a revision of the existing scale of charges we may remain neutral.

Mr. T. P. Poulose *(Kanayannur):* If the Government now want to abolish the system of levying charges and if they want to do so on a recommendation of this House they can very easily take advantage of the attitude taken by this House in voting for this resolution whatever be the reasons which prompt us to do so. The Government say that they are going to remain neutral. They are not against the abolition of the fees. Some members want to support this resolution as they are against the levy of the fees. Some others want to support this resolution as they are against the framing of the rules without consulting the House. If we support this resolution for reasons other than what are implied in the resolution.....

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* The issue is stated. There is no implication.

Mr. T. P. Poulose *(Kanayannur):* If we support this resolution for reasons other than what is relevant to the issue raised by the resolution itself we will be giving a handle to the Government to abolish the system if they want to abolish it. Their attitude of neutrality is very significant.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Who said that they are going to remain neutral?

Mr. T. P. Poulose *(Kanayannur):* Unless the issue was whether the Government should place these rules before the House. That is a very significant attitude. That clearly shows that they would welcome a vote of this House for the abolition of this system.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* Sir, It is a very unkind observation to make. I wanted to know the issue on which the House is going to vote. The Government have accepted the principle of levying fees from well-to-do people and if the House wants to put a stop to that system by cancelling this order the Government would remain neutral. But if the issue is raised that the Government is bound to place the rules regarding the working of this system before this House that is a totally different question upon which we will have to vote against.

Mr. T. P. Poulose *(Kanayannur):* If this resolution is passed it can only be interpreted according to the wording of this resolution that this House is in favour of the abolition of the system and if we without understanding the implications pass this resolution we may be giving a handle to the Government if they want to abolish this system.

Deputy President: That may be your view.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* We had ample discussion on this matter without your illuminating lecture.

Deputy President: You are going to vote for or against the resolution as moved by the Hon'ble Member.

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Trichur North):* Which means the cancellation of the proceedings.

Resolution put and carried

2. TO EXEMPT THE LADY EMPLOYEES IN THE ANCHAL DEPARTMENT FROM DOING NIGHT DUTY

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Sir, I move the following resolution.—"This Council recommends to the Government to exempt the lady employees in the Anchal Department from doing night duty."

I am not going to take the time of the House by a speech. The resolution is sufficiently clear. I request the House may be pleased to accept it.

Mr. C. K. Nayar *(Nemmara):* I second it.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: അഞ്ചൽ ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെണ്ടിലെ സ്ത്രീകൾമാത്രം രാത്രി ജോലിചെയ്യുവാൻ പാടില്ലെന്നുള്ളതിന്നു് എന്തു കാരണമാണെന്നു് ഈ പ്രമേയത്തിൽ പറഞ്ഞു കാണുന്നില്ല. രാത്രി ജോലിയിൽനിന്നും അവരെമാത്രം ഒഴിവാക്കണമെന്നാണു് പറയുന്നതു്. എല്ലാ സ്ത്രീകളേയും ഒരുപോലെ രാത്രി ഡ്യൂട്ടിയിൽനിന്നു ഒഴിവാക്കേണ്ടതാണെ

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Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government)* : Sir, when once a Government servant enters a department he or she should act according to the rules and Government do not propose to give any preferential treatment in this matter to the ladies.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)* : The Hon'ble Member for Mukundapuram Ezhuvas wanted an explanation.

Mr. K. S. Panicker *(Ezhuvas-Mukundapuram)* : I don't want any explanation.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)* : The night duty which I plead for exemption on behalf of the ladies is this. In most of the Anchal Offices the subordinates have to be there at night to sort letters and do the work connected with the receipt and despatch of mails. Sometimes these lady employees are posted as Anchal mail Sorters. They will have to be in the mail van running from the Harbour Station to Shoranur. They will have to spend the whole night at the Harbour Terminus Station and even in the train. All these things are hard in the case of ladies. So out of chivalrous considerations I thought that I should table this resolution and get the consent of this House. I think there are some non-official members like the Hon'ble Member for Mukundapuram Ezhuvas who have some misunderstanding about this. Now I think he has understood what I meant. I press this to a division, Sir.

Resolution put and lost

Mr. Shabdai S. Koder *(Jews-Nominated)* : Sir, I move that the House be adjourned.

Mr. N. Govinda Pai *(Nominated)* : I second it.

The House was adjourned *sine die* at 4 o'clock.

K. S. RAGHAVAN
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